

# Green Power A Solution in Search of A Problem

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## Marketing 101

- > Find a problem in the marketplace
- > Develop a unique solution
- > That is hard for competitors to copy



## Consumer's Viewpoint

- > Top three problems with electricity service
  - Price
  - Outages
  - Customer Service
  - NOT that it causes air pollution



# Unfortunately, this doesn't exist...





## Or this...





#### Our Job

Make green power relevant for consumers.



#### Two Paths

- > Educate the market about the problem
  - Very expensive
  - Missionary selling
  - Geologic time horizons
- > Repackage Green Power to address a more immediate, relevant problem



#### **Product Repackaging**

Other products that have re-invented themselves through "packaging"



## Arm & Hammer Baking Soda



- > 155 years ago launched as a:
  - "solution for your baking needs".
- > Positioning today:
  - "It cleans, deodorizes and even bakes – effectively and inexpensively."



#### Yoplait Go-GURT



- "Go-GURT® Portable Yogurt, the first-ever yogurt in a tube, is the perfect snack for on-the-go kids."
- Consumers pay for the fun (and convenience) of the package itself.



# Repackaging Clean Energy

- New, more mainstream market opportunities have emerged for green power
  - These segments perceive green power from their own perspectives – from very personal, to community level to global
  - They represent an expansion and maturation of the market for green power
  - Green power is in alignment with additional lifestyles that are very distinct from that of the core buyer/early adopter

# **New Segments**

Segment	Problem	Solutions
Core Green Power Buyer	>Electricity generation is bad for environment	>Energy efficiency; "Off the Grid"
Family Values	<ul><li>Worried about safety and the future</li><li>Need to teach kids values</li></ul>	>Organics; Charities; Healthy products
Global Thinkers	<ul><li>World issues (i.e. global warming) and</li><li>Thought leadership</li></ul>	>Hybrids; New York Times
Conservatives	<ul><li>Economic development</li><li>Energy Independence</li></ul>	>E*trade; Home Schooling
Service Focused	<ul><li>Impersonal service</li><li>Slow response</li></ul>	>USAA; Nordstrom's



# **Closing Thoughts**

- > "There is nothing more difficult to take in hand, more perilous to conduct or more uncertain in its success than to take the lead in the introduction of a new order of things."
  - Niccolo Machiavelli

